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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES HAVING RECESSES

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 22, 2006, the period of response for which runs through March 22, 2007, please amend the application as follows.

OK to ENTER Bf3607

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.